COMMENDING THE AMERICAN TRUCKING ASSOCIATIONS AND ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE TOYS FOR TOTS FOUNDATION

HON. GARY G. MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, December 5, 2000

Mr. GARY MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend the American Trucking Associations for demonstrating that "someone cares" about the Children of San Diego, California

The American Trucking Associations urged all individuals who recently attended their Management Conference and Exhibition in San Diego, California to bring a toy. At the end of the conference, 700 toys were collected and donated to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation. Encouraged by their initial success, the American Trucking Associations have extended the toy drive via their website. In fact, donors can now contribute to a toy on-line.

The toys will be distributed to needy children in the San Diego area through the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation. Since 1947, the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves have ensured a gift under the Christmas tree of children who might otherwise experience the holiday without receiving any toys. Over the past 53 years, the Foundation has grown and is now active in all 50 states.

Last year alone, they collected and distributed 13,700,000 toys.

America's truckers will most likely deliver the vast majority of Christmas toys to stores around the country. However, this delivery is truly special, as it demonstrates the positive synergy that is achieved when private industry partners with charitable organizations to improve the community.

Mr. Speaker, the American Trucking Associations asked their members to "send a loving message that someone cares" to the children of the conference host city. Their members responded overwhelmingly, thus deserving the praise and accolades of this 106th Congress for their decision to leave the children of San Diego with a special memory.

IN HONOR OF FRED HASSAN, RE-CIPIENT OF THE 2000 GLOBAL CITIZEN AWARD

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Fred Hassan, the recipient of the 2000 Global Citizen Award from the School of Diplomacy and International Relations at Seton Hall University.

Fred Hassan is currently the President and Chief Executive Officer of Pharmacia Corporation, a pharmaceutical company created by the merger of Pharmacia & Upjohn and the Monsanto Company.

Mr. Hassan, a native of Pakistan, received his Bachelor's Degree in chemical Engineering from the Imperial College of Science and Technology at the University of London in 1967 and his Master's of Business Administration from Harvard Business School in 1972.

At Pharmacia, Mr. Hassan and his management team have established a global organization dedicated to improving health and wellness around the world. Under Mr. Hassan's leadership, Pharmacia collaborates with government, academia, and the private sector to address global challenges in the fields of health care, science, and nutrition. To meet these challenges, Pharmacia, the United Nations Population Fund, and The world Bank created the "Save the Mother's Fund", a program that works to improve obstetric care in order to reduce maternal mortality rates in childbirth. In addition, Pharmacia has partnered with the World Health Organization's European Project on Tobacco Dependence to reduce tobacco-related death and disease among cigarette smokers in Europe.

Mr. Hassan has set an excellent example for other business leaders around the world; to be successful in the business world, while also helping to improve the lives of our fellow global citizens.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Fred Hassan and Pharmacia for their outstanding commitment and contributions to global health and development.